



Life-Relict

Um Projeto de Conservação das Relíquias da Laurissilva Continental

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CIENTÍFICAS Y TECNOLÓGICAS
DE EXTREMADURA

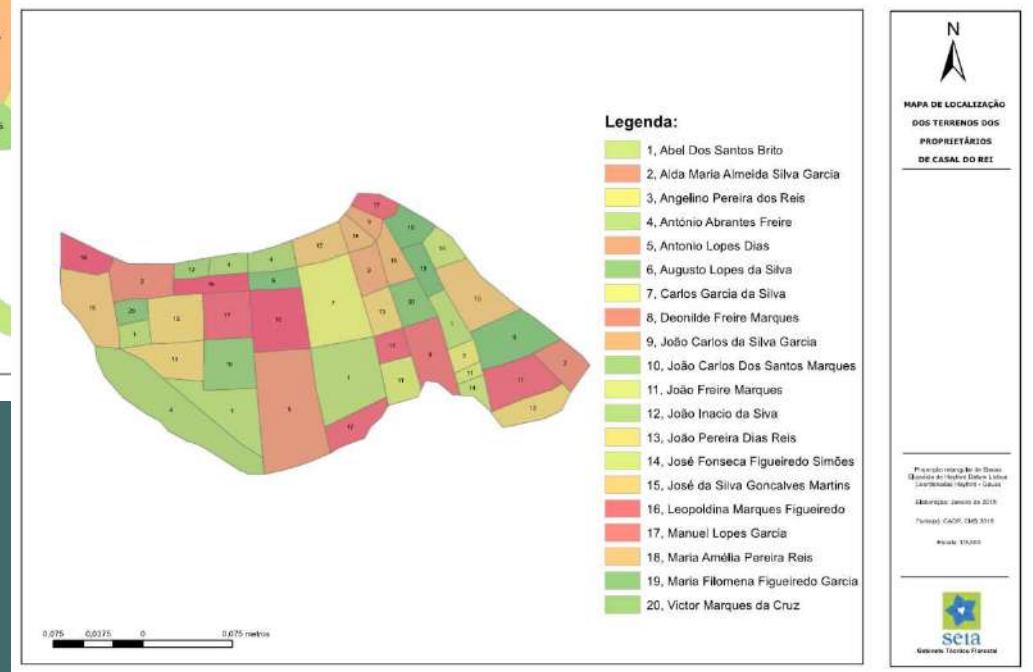
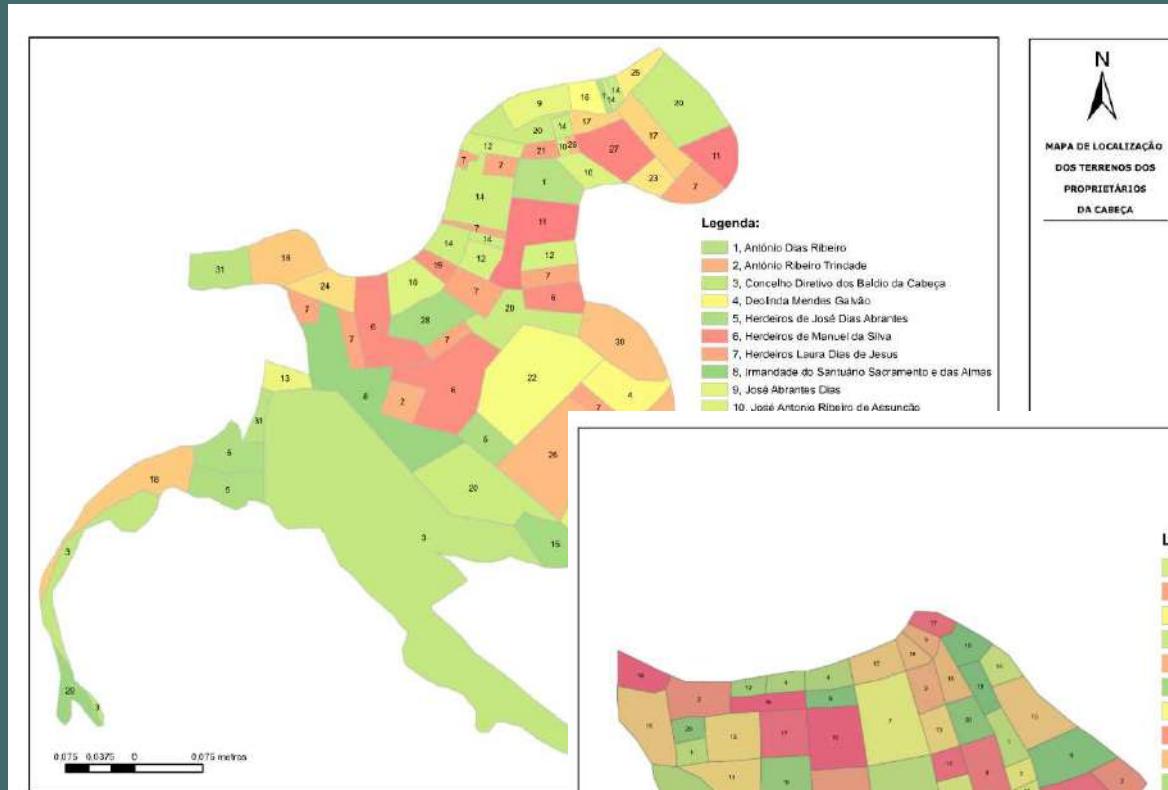


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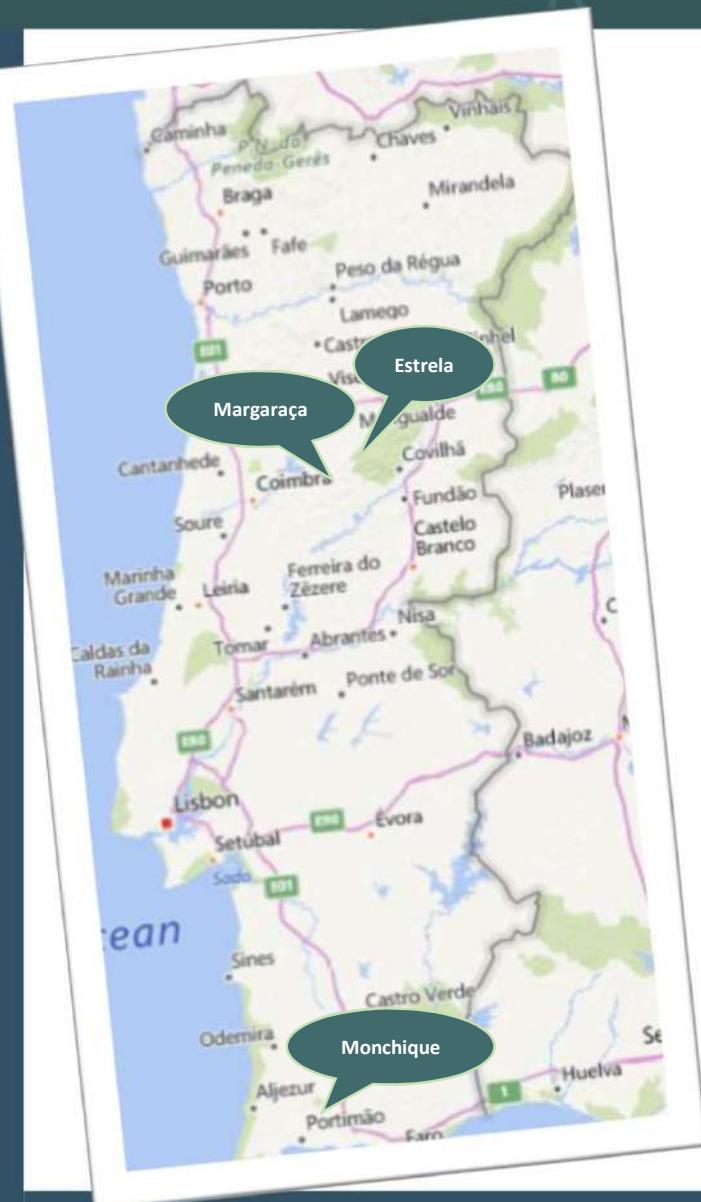
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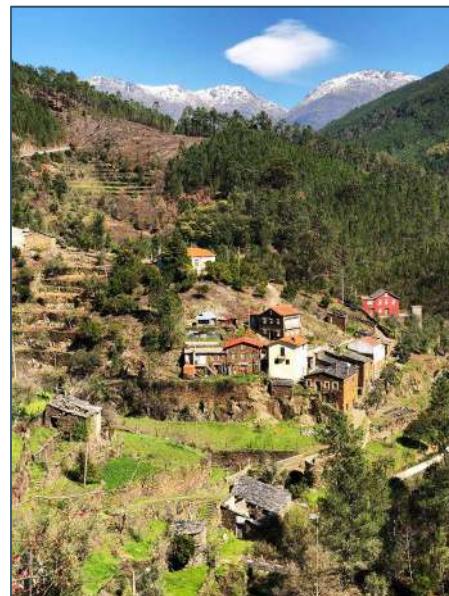
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Intervention Areas



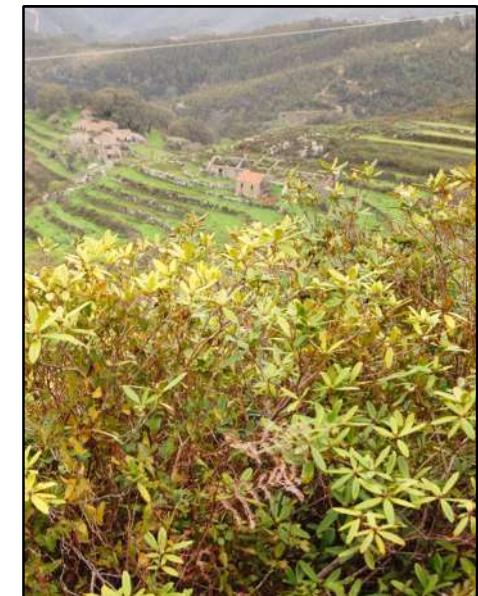
Estrela



Margaraça



Monchique



Objetives

Improve the conservation status of the priority habitat 5230* - Arborescent matorral with *Laurus nobilis* - in Portuguese Natura 2000 Network.

Currently= ("Inadequate")

Their most important plant communities:

Prunus lusitanica community

Rhododendron ponticum subsp. *baeticum* community

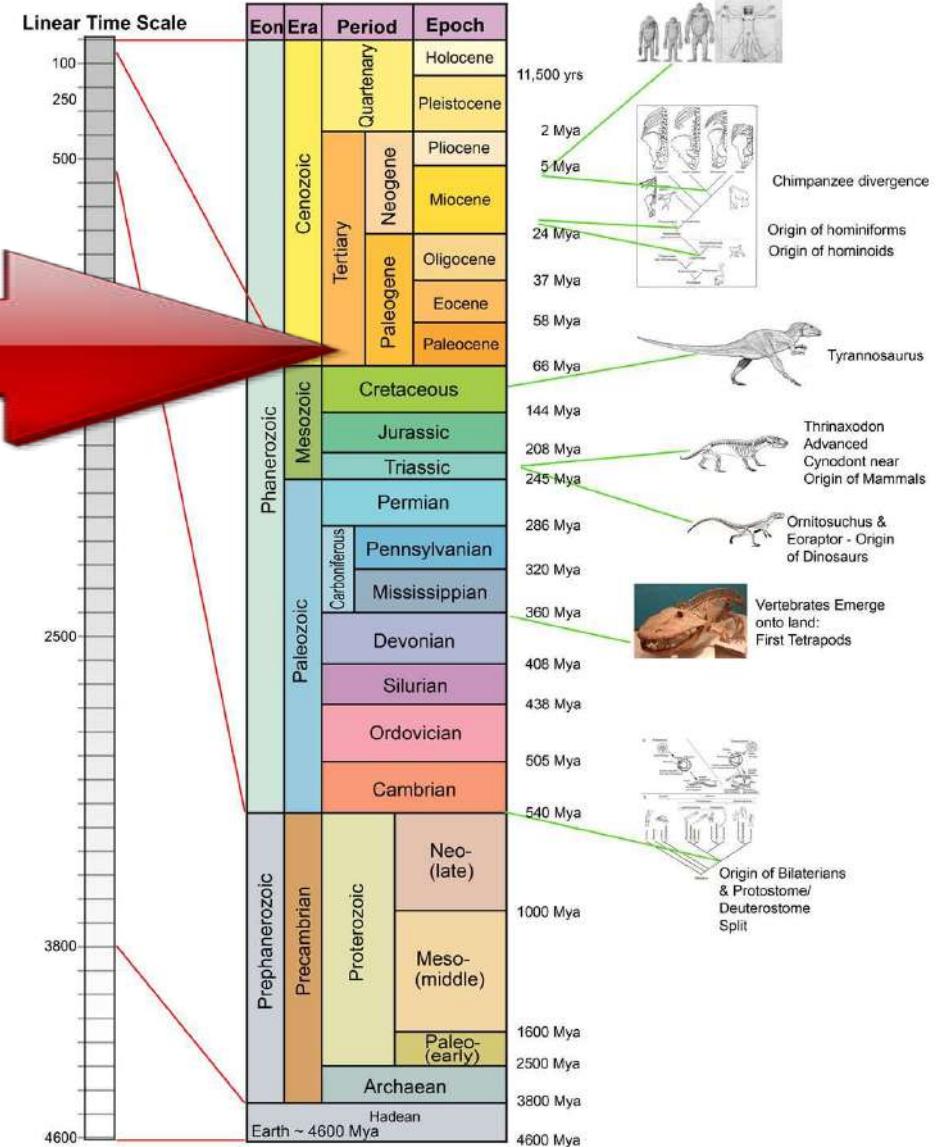
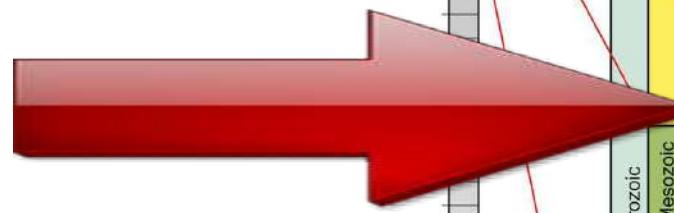
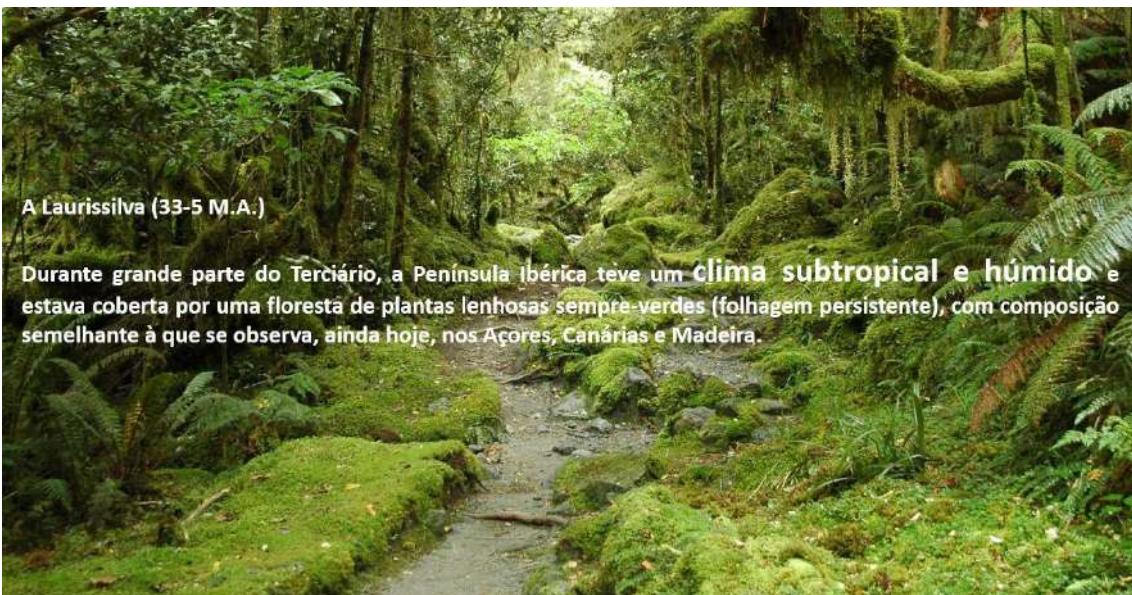


Prunus lusitanica



Rhododendron ponticum subsp. *baeticum*

Subtropical Climate





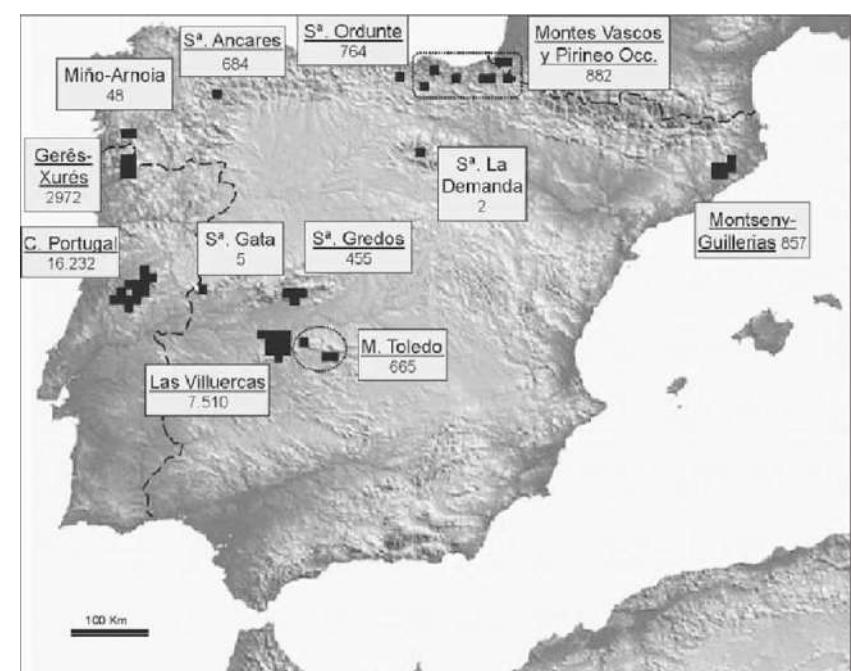
Azereirais

Communities of *Prunus lusitanica*.

Prunus lusitanica (azereiro) is a rare species, endemic from SW France, P. Iberian and N of Morocco.

In Portugal is present in embedded valleys, with a more thermic and humid climate.

Mata da Margaraça is considered the best example of these communities, and the largest *Prunus lusitanica* population, is present in the center of Portugal.



Distribution and population sizes of *Prunus lusitanica* in the Iberian Peninsula (CALLEJA et al. 2009).



Adelferais

Comunidades de *Rhododendron ponticum* subsp. *Baeticum*.

It's a rare species, endemic to the SW of the Iberian Peninsula.

In Portugal, is present in only two areas within the Natura2000 Network (Serra do Caramulo and Serra de Monchique).



JOSÉ A. MEJÍAS, JUAN ARROYO, FERNANDO OJEDA; Reproductive ecology of *Rhododendron ponticum* (Ericaceae) in relict Mediterranean populations, Botanical Journal of the Linnean Society, Volume 140, Issue 3, 1 November 2002, Pages 297–311, <https://doi.org/10.1046/j.1095-8339.2002.00103.x>

Expected results

1. Improve
quality, structure
and habitat function

2. Increase
Habitat area

3. Protect
habitat



Improve structure and diversity
of characteristic species -
cutting, planting



New habitat areas -
plantations



Control of invasive species - **sta. art**
technics
Heliophilous - **cut vegetation**
control
Creation of buffer zones with
Quercíneas- **plantations**

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October 2017

Monitoring

September 2022

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Dissemination, Education and Awareness



A. Preparatory



C. Conservation



D. Monitoring



E. Awareness and dissemination

F. Project Management

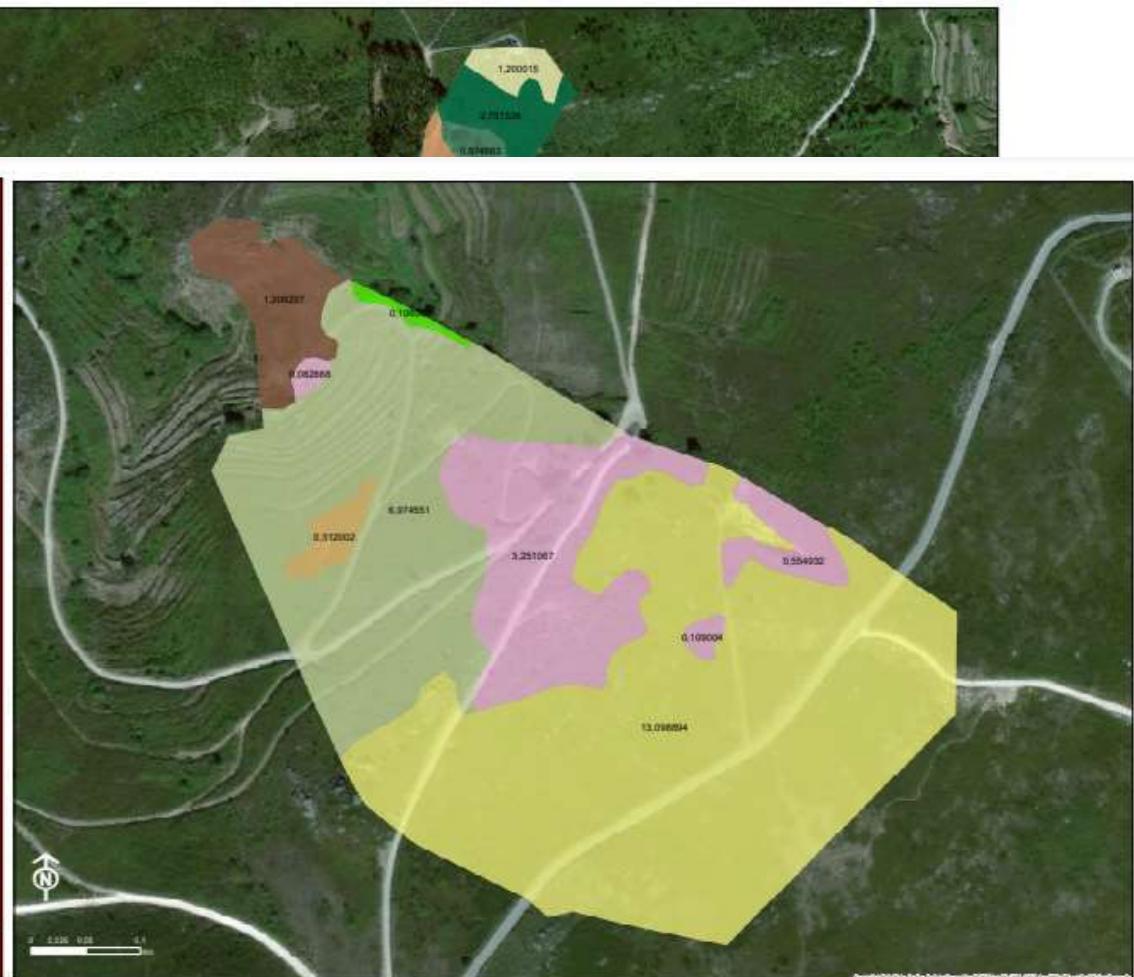


ACTION A.1

Reference state update



1. Collection and complement of essential information



ACTION A.3

Assessing the regeneration
capacity of
Rhododendron ponticum



Is there seminal regeneration?
In what conditions?

So far we confirmed that there is
almost no seminal regeneration.



- Regeneration of seminal origin **almost nonexistent**
- The observed regeneration is in **very humid zones**, oriented towards West
- On the **borders** of the spots of *Rhododendron ponticum*

Ação C.1 Recolha e propagação do material vegetal



Table 1. Monitoring of species for which seeds were collected

	collected seeds (N.º)	seed germination (N.º)	Germination rate (%)	Survival plants	Survival rate (%)	survivals per seeds collected (%)
<i>Prunus lusitanica</i>	1782	574	32	562	98	32
<i>Quercus broteroana</i>	300	264	82	221	84	74
<i>Quercus canariensis</i>	400	320	77	287	90	72
<i>Quercus estremadurensis</i>	100	42	65	35	83	35
<i>Quercus mariاناica</i>	320	176	84	164	93	51
<i>Quercus pyrenaica</i>	250	223	91	221	99	88
<i>Rhododendron ponticum</i>	3500	1500	74	1461	97	42
<i>Arbutus unedo</i>	2460	130	12	5	4	<1
<i>Phillyrea angustifolia</i>	560	112	20	45	40	8

Table 2. Monitoring of species for which cuttings were collected

	Cuttings	Rootings	Survival plants
<i>Arbutus unedo</i>	70	12	9
<i>Phillyrea angustifolia</i>	60	26	8
<i>Phillyrea media</i>	40	5	0
<i>Prunus lusitanica</i>	80	11	8
<i>Viburnum tinus</i>	50	67	42
<i>Rhamnus alaternus</i>		450	450

ACTIONS C.2. and C.3.

Melhorar a qualidade do habitat
(azereirais and adelfeirais)



ACTIONS C.4. and C.5. Aumentar a área de habitat (azereirais and adelfeirais)



ACTION C.6. Controlo de espécies exóticas invasoras



ACTION C.7. Diminuição do risco de incêndio



Ação C.1 Seed collection and plant propagation

1st campaign: October to December 2017

2nd campaign: October to December 2018

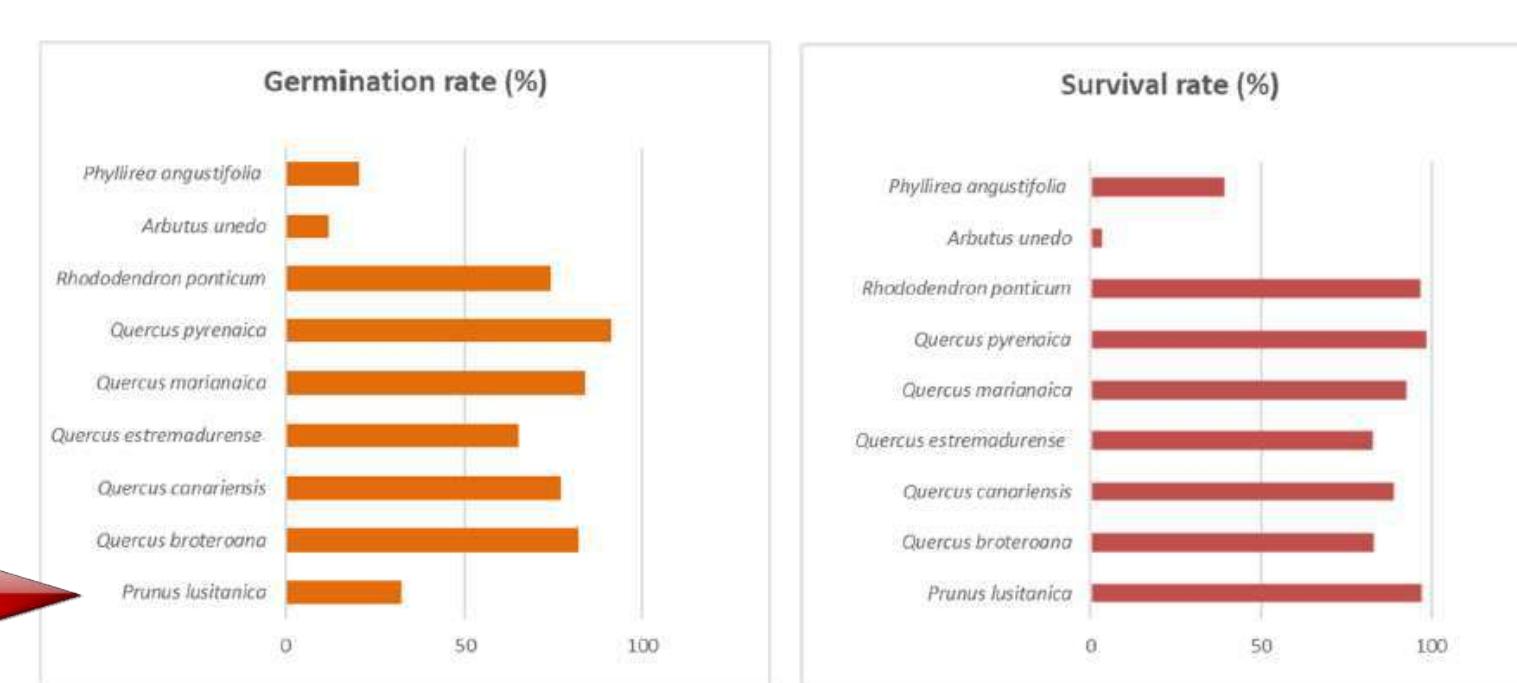
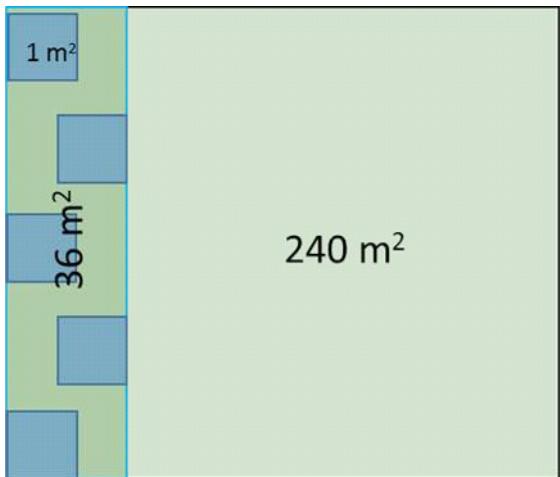


Figure 3 and 4. Germination and survival rates (%).

ACTION D.1 Monitoring the impact of project conservation actions



- **41 permanent transect**, randomly installed
- **Stratified inventory** (herbs, shrubs and Trees)
- **Cover / species**





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Cabeça – Aldeia Natal



ACTION E.1. Communication to general public



ACTION E.2. Promotion of nature based tourism



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ACTION E.4. Technical and scientific dissemination



ACTION E.5. Networking and replication efforts



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based tourism





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